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SUBJECT: APPEAL FOR MEDIA PROTEST OF EPMG ATROCITIES

1. FIRST WEEK IN AUGUST, FRENCH CONSULATE IN ASMARA RECEIVED LETTER DATED JULY 23 AND SIGNED "CITIZENS OF ASMARA" EXPRESSING DISAPPOINTMENT THAT FRENCH MEDIA HAS NOT REPORTED KILLINGS OF ASMARA RESIDENTS BY "FASCIST ETHIOPIAN GOVERNMENT." ATTRIBUTING LACK OF SUCH REPORTING TO EITHER "INTENTIONAL NEGLIGENCE" OR TO "COLABORATION WITH THIS FASCIST REGIME," LETTER CITES TWO INSTANCES OF "GENOCIDE," FOUR KILLED ON JULY 21 AND 16 KILLED ON JULY 22.

2. TO OUR KNOWLEDGE NO OTHER CONSULATE RECEIVED SUCH LETTERS.

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CONGEN IS POUCHING COPIES OF LETTER TO DEPARTMENT AND ADDIS.

3. COMMENT: LACK OF INTERNATIONAL PRESS COVERAGE OF KILLINGS IN ASMARA IS OBVIOUSLY SOURCE OF INTENSE FRUSTRATION FOR FRONT (ELF/PLF) AND LOCAL RESIDENTS. EFFORTS SUCH AS LETTER TO FRENCH CONSULATE ARE ONLY PRELIMINARY AND INEFFECTUAL, BUT RECENT EXAGGERATED REPORTING OF SITUATION MAY INDICATE SOME SUCCESS IN OVERCOMING NEWS BLACKOUT.
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